

# Sustainable Energy Programme

Shell Foundation

The Shell Foundation is a UK-registered charity launched in June 2000 with initial funds of \$30 million and a mission to promote sustainable development worldwide. Its creation is a result of the Group's aim to move beyond simple 'good citizenship' to address the specific social role of an international energy group – and in doing so help further close the gap between the commercial and social responsibilities of business.



The Sustainable Energy Programme of the Shell Foundation is the largest grant-making programme and has two broad objectives:

1. To reduce the environmental impacts of fossil fuel use (the 'Reducing Impacts' theme).
2. To increase the access of poor communities in developing countries to modern and sustainable energy services (the 'Increasing Access' theme).



The SEP has provided funds to the South-North Institute for Sustainable Development to implement small-scale integrated biogas systems in Shusong Village, Deqing County, Yunnan Province, West China.



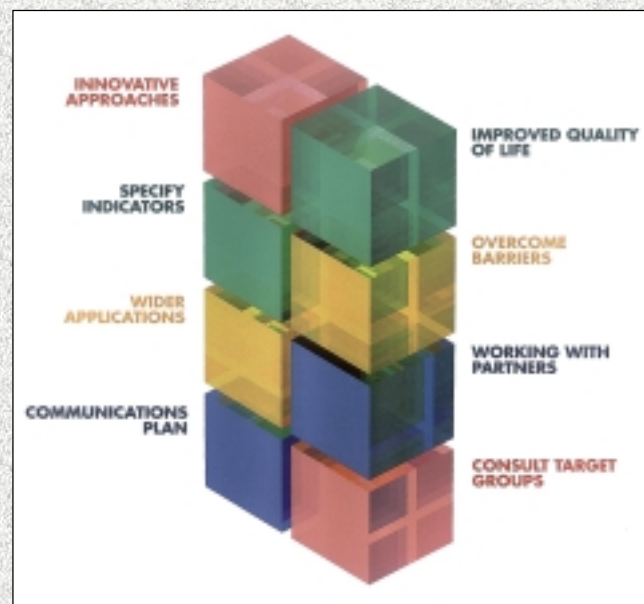
A SEP grant to the Center for Resource Solutions supports a solar energy project which will enable the Mayan community at Tres Reyes, in the Yucatan Peninsula, Mexico, to pump water from wells for use in farming and so end the current slash and burn practices



## SEP Portfolio Management

Under the 'Reducing Impacts' and 'Increasing Access' themes, SEP provides grants to not-for-profit organisations undertaking projects that lead to measurable improvements in people's welfare and in the environmental impact of human activity. Priority is given to proposals that:

- identify barriers to success and explain how the project will overcome them;
- specify concrete, measurable indicators that track the progress and impacts of the project;
- use methods and produce results that could be applied in other locations and countries;
- clearly specify the target group for the project and demonstrate they have been consulted as part of the design process;
- create activities that aim to be independently financially sustainable;
- have a clear communications plan to ensure the lessons are disseminated to relevant audiences.



## Where to find more information

Updates on our activities, programme announcements, information about our current portfolio and our prospectus can be found at <http://www.shellfoundation.org/sep>

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